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Sylvia Pastor, Lewis Moyer & Connie Schwartz distributing Shabbat Dinners "pandemic style."

# **TBI Virtual Service Times**

Fridays at 7p.m. and Saturdays at 10a.m. Available on Facebook & YouTube



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members:

A new year is upon us and I wish for everyone's safety and well-being. More than six months have gone by since my term as President has begun, and I haven't yet been able in all that time to address you from the Bimah in person. For me that is a personal loss. I'm sure many of you also miss the comfort, serenity, warmth and camaraderie as well. So we're all in this together and we're holding fast.

Hopefully within the next few months, a vaccine will be available, and we'll feel safe enough to begin coming back. Until then we continue to provide programming we hope you enjoy, especially our virtual gatherings.

I urge you to check your e-blasts and the most current *Bulletin* for the many programs offered during the month. Our 92Y program, our Rabbi Eisenstat Miniversity, our Speakers Series, the Men's Club programs, the BIW programs, the **Rabbi Sniderman** Tuesday 11:00 AM classes, and of course our Friday and Saturday virtual services. We've got a lot of activities and we love when you "link in" and participate.

As you also know, we also have our Friday Shabbat dinner program and our Friday evening Happy Hour. They have been astounding successes. Contact with members when you pick up dinner and visual contact during the Happy Hour is always a great deal of fun. Members' Friday evening storytelling about their Jewish and professional/business lives is wonderfully interesting and a way of getting to know our members in a way never likely to have occurred if it hadn't been for this crisis.

We encourage people to tell their stories in a safe, welcoming place with a very interested and appreciative audience. Someday I promise to tell my personal story, but since I'm from Detroit, I will have to wait until the various Statutes of Limitation expire.

Stay well, stay safe.

Stuart Sinai, President



# FROM THE RABBI'S STUDY

I am pleased and proud. **Temple Beth Israel's** new virtual community (thanks to Zoom) has given us the chance to get to know each other better and socialize if only via our computers.

Our Friday night cocktail hours have been successful beyond all expectations. Deepest thanks and appreciation need to go to **Isaac Azerad** for arranging and coordinating this opportunity for us to get together as a community and visit together.

Many of you have registered for the 92Y programs. Fewer have joined our discussions afterwards, but they have been lively and informative.

The discussions that are part of the Tuesday morning class and the Miniversity classes have also been lively. Speaking as someone who has chaired such gatherings, the biggest fear is that no one will have anything to say. Our **TBI** participants have never been silent.

These are not easy times. We need to emphasize the good. At a meeting a few weeks ago someone noticed that we had scheduled two things at the same time. I am sure it was inadvertent, but I felt compelled to turn the mistake around. I said that we should always be so active that we are not limited to one program at a time.

I hope we can begin to see light at the end of the tunnel, meanwhile, be safe.

Rabbi Stephen L. Sniderman

# FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESK

A year ago, I wrote to you in the January issue of the *Bulletin*, that as a decade faded away, giving birth to a new secular New Year, on January 1, 2020, we were full of wonder and anticipation. We contemplated the year ahead with a sense of hope and renewed excitement for our Temple. The year 2020 is now passed and has become synonymous with the pandemic and its devasting effect on the world's population. It has proven to be a game - changer and a teacher of new realities. We learned to isolate and seek comfort through virtual togetherness.

It is no coincidence that when we celebrated Hanukkah, the holiday of lights this year, the light gave us strength, warmth and synergy in forging ahead even in our darkest days. Even when it is cold and dark during this corona pandemic and when we see each other through monitors and electric screens, we sometimes feel more isolated. The prospects of a bright and hopeful year are around the corner. Your dedicated Rabbi, leadership and staff have maintained our physical facility; but more importantly they have preserved our spirit and sense of belonging to our Temple.

This year we will mark **Temple Beth Israel's 42nd Anniversary**. Over the last forty-two years, the Temple has developed a strong presence on Longboat Key becoming the de facto only Jewish center on the island and bringing the richness of our heritage to many. That is a remarkable achievement! We are taking advantage of the lockdown to undertake cosmetic repairs and much needed alterations; better lighting in our parking lot, a fresh coat of paint in our sanctuary and in The Fran Mann Memorial library.

Soon the time will come to gather in our Temple, and there will be prayers, music, food and entertainment to be remembered fondly for years to come.

We will remember 2020 as a difficult bridge we had to cross. The Hassidic tradition depicts the whole world as a narrow bridge that has to be crossed without fear but with humility and gratitude. We can work together on making 2021 so very special!

Please consider a significant way to show your support to our Temple by making a gift or asking a friend to join our congregation.



Isaac Azerad
Executive Director

# ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

During 2020 we were all affected in some way by covid-19, and as we begin 2021, we are again facing this coronavirus. Hopefully, the vaccines that we will have available this year will bring this deadly virus to an end.

Our Temple curtailed in-house activities and religious services because of the danger of contracting covid-19 while being in close proximity with each other. We also closed our doors to members, guests, and potential members in order to protect our staff. Currently, our staff is working from home, while also coming to their Temple offices to complete their assignments.

To communicate with and provide programs for congregants and others, we have been using Live Streaming, Zoom, YouTube, and Facebook. The following are just some of these wonderful programs that can be seen in your homes in a virtual manner; our Rabbi's weekly discussion group, Miniversity, 92nd.St.Y, Books & Brown Bags, BIW, Men's Club, Speaker Series and more. In fact we have been very successful with our weekly 5:00 p.m. Social Hour, in which our congregants tell us of their Jewish upbringing and their life stories, followed by a question and answer period. We are currently in the process of planning more programs that will cover a large range of subjects of importance to our membership.

We have just installed two large commercial dehumidifiers, which are connected to the air handlers that control the air coming into our Sanctuary. These new units will operate twenty-four hours per day and will reduce our relative humidity to a level in the area of 50%-60%. The MERV 13 filters have been installed and they will be able to prevent 99% of mold spores and viruses from entering our Sanctuary's A/C ductwork through our 16 radial diffusers in the ceiling. We also added over 100' of new flex ductwork and then fogged the ductwork with chlorine dioxide. For your benefit we have also taken samples in the Sanctuary, to determine if we have any lead or asbestos present, prior to renovating our Sanctuary in February. The analysis came back negative for both lead and asbestos.

Our library has been repainted, and we have installed improved lighting for the benefit of those, who use our beautiful library.

We are increasing the lighting in front of our Temple, and leading to and from our parking areas. Railings will be installed along the sidewalk beginning from the left exit of our Sanctuary, and going all the way around the Temple to the front sidewalk leading to the entrance of our Temple. Phase 3 of repairing and replacing our damaged sidewalks and driveways will also be done. Starting in February we will begin the renovations to our Sanctuary, which includes the repairing of the ceiling cracks and the repainting of the ceiling and the walls.

We truly hope that sometime during 2021 we can all be together again in our Temple, enjoying our services, programs and being able to resume our social activities.

Allan Goldfarb, Vice President of Administration

# **MEN'S CLUB**

On behalf of the Men's Club, I want to wish each and every one of you a very happy and healthy New Year. We are all looking forward to the end of this quarantine we are currently experiencing and getting back to our normal life. I have great hopes that our final function in April will be an outdoor picnic that we were not able to have last year. In the meantime here are our programs for January and February:

# January 10, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

Stuart Tauber will discuss and lead a discussion on How the Coronavirus Affects Sports.

Stuart has extensive experience with professional sports teams. To access this program please register with the Temple office by calling **941-383-3428**, or emailing **info@tbl-lbk.org**. There is no charge for this program.

# February 21, 2021, 10:00 a.m.

**Isaac Azerad** will tell us the story of his journey from Egypt to Sarasota. Isaac has visited and stayed in many different areas of the world and has had many experiences that he will share with us. To access this program please register with the Temple office by calling **941.383.3428**, or emailing **info@tbl-lbk.org**. There is no charge for this program.

As always, all Men's Club programs are open to both men and women. If anybody has suggestions for topics or speakers, please contact me.

You all received a membership application. Please fill it out and send it along with your check to the Temple. Do not be bashful; if you do not have the application just send your check along with a note to the Temple office. Dues are \$40. Thank you for your participation.

We look forward to being with everyone in the very near future. In the meantime stay safe.

Lewis Moyer, Men's Club President

# BETH ISRAEL WOMEN'S CLUB REPORT

The BIW Mitzvah Project was a great success. We were able to help three families with children in need have wonderful meals and gifts to brighten their holidays. Thank you all for your generous donations. We have decided to continue this project into next year in order to help more families with children struggling through these difficult times.

BIW 'Movie Mondays' program continues on **Monday**, **January 18 at 1:00 p.m.** The film is "The Life Ahead" available on Netflix. Sophia Loren portrays a Holocaust survivor (and former streetwalker) befriending a Muslim orphan in France. If you wish to participate, please watch the movie in your own time before the zoom event. We will then have a discussion at the Zoom meeting. Be sure to RSVP to **Kelli Veit: kkveit@bellsouth.net** and she will email the Zoom link to you a few days before the Zoom meeting.

For future programs, we are toying with cooking classes... Stay tuned for 'BIW Balabustas'!

Be well and Happy New Year (farewell to 2020)

Nancy Cohen & Sylvia Pastor, BIW Co-Presidents

# **BOOKS & BROWN BAGS**

A discussion of *Apeirogon* by Colum McCann will be held via Zoom, on **Monday**, **January 11**, with **Kelli Veit** as the facilitator. This novel, based on a true story, describes the growing relationship between two grieving fathers - one an Israeli and the other a Palestinian - who have each lost a daughter from the "other side." The title of the book is defined in one instance as an object of many sides.

The **February 8** book, *The Year of Wonders*, by Geraldine Brooks, describes a pandemic hundreds of years ago. If anyone would like to lead the discussion for this book, please let one of us know.

Happy reading.

Gloria Sabin, Chairperson and Tena Tessler, Co-chairperson

# MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Membership Committee members are Esther Emmerman, Isaac Azerad, Carole Cohen, Gloria Feibus, Karen Gary (co-chair), Susan Newmark (co-chair), David Gorin, Marion Levine, Phyllis Lieberman, Lisa Mirman, Lew Moyer, Sylvia Pastor, Maxine Tauber and Bob Vigder.

We've joined with the Social Action Committee to continue efforts to provide much needed food, toys and necessities through Second Chance Last Opportunity for the Christmas Season. Our last curbside drop-off is December 18th at **TBI** 3-3:30 p.m. Thank you to **Judy Tobias, Mac Spitzer, Deborah Cohen, Lois Lowsky** and **Maxine Tauber** for helping us. And, thank you to **TBI** members for your generosity. You helped families in Sarasota have a good Thanksgiving and the money donations to SCLO from congregants were matched by the Flanzer Foundation.

On November 29th **TBI** members once again reached out to the community of Sarasota through a JFCS project to provide gifts to Seniors who are isolated and have limited means. **Maxine Tauber**, **Lois Lowsky**, **Bonnie Wilder**, **Marion Levine**, **Judy Tobias** and **Mac Spitzer** welcomed members who drove up with gifts and we enjoyed a couple of hours together outside.

We look forward, as I am sure you all do, to being together without needing to be so cautious and masked. The current situation has made us appreciate what we have taken for granted.

Karen Gary, Membership Committee Co-Chairperson

# **LIFE & LEGACY**

The Jewish Federation of Sarasota/Manatee Counties presented a Life & Legacy Community Celebration on Zoom on Thursday evening, November 12. The purpose was to recognize and celebrate all donors to the program in the community. Rabbi Daniel Cohen from Stamford, CT, a nationally recognized speaker on leading a life of legacy was the guest speaker.

**Suzanne Lutkoff** represented **TBI** with a short testimonial. The federation reported the following results to date for the ten participating organizations in Sarasota & Manatee Counties:

Legacy Commitments: 629. Estimated Value: \$19,000,000

Donations Already Realized: \$2,321,873

Anyone interested in information about the **TBI Life & Legacy Program**, or in joining the 50 current members of our Program, please contact **Isaac Azerad** at the temple office.

Bob Vigder, Life & Legacy Committee Chair

1 BILLION DOLLARS pledged nationwide in support of our Jewish Communities across the United States and Canada!





"Providing Jewish communities with proven tools and training to help them secure their long-term financial goals is absolutely vital. Through the LIFE & LEGACY® program, I'm hopeful that we will be able to help sustain vibrant communities that allow future generations to enjoy our rich Jewish culture and heritage."

Harold Grinspoon

The Following Legacy Donors have ensured that future generations will enjoy Temple Beth Israel and a lewish presence on Longboat Key:

Isaac Azerad Alice Blueglass H. Murray Blueglass **Barbara Blumfield** David (z"l) & Maggie Brenner Gloria Feibus Joel Feidelman Frank & Christa Fineshriber Walter & Marlena (z"l) Frank Elise & James Galinsky Dr. Philip & Suzan Gaynes Miriam & Allan Goldfarb Susan & David Gorin Bernice Gourse (z"l) **Robin Green** Jay Greenblatt Norman & Barbara Gross **Debby & Gerald Hamburg** Dr. Audrey Heimler Sue Jacobson Sy Klionsky Benjamin & Sandra Krause Richard & Nessa Levine

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Temple Beth Israel is proud to participate in this national effort to ensure our Jewish heritage continues for future generations!

For more information about LIFE & LEGACY program please contact:

Isaac Azerad, Executive Director Office: (941) 383-3428 iazerad@tbi-lbk.org



# **SOCIAL ACTION COMMITTEE**

This month has been very busy for so many of us. We donated groceries for Second Chance Last Opportunity (SCLO) and participated in filling holiday bags for the Adopt a Senior Program sponsored by Jewish Family and Children's Services (JFCS).

As I delivered the bags to JFCS, the women who gathered the contributions said that these relatively simple items such as hard candies, note paper and no skid socks, "bring a bit of happiness to many sad, lonely seniors". (I hope we do this again next year!)

Many caring **TBI** volunteers, intent on helping out, met in the **TBI** parking lot and collected the groceries for SCLO and, again, the following week, assembled to accept the Senior Gift Bags.

A huge "Thank you" to Karen Gary, Lois Lowsky, Judy Tobias, Mac Spitzer, Bonnie Wilder and Maxine Tauber who were again "front and center" when needed.

Happily, Karen Gary, Lois Lowsky, Gail Barzman, Mac Spitzer, Bonnie Wilder and Arlene Skversky have joined the SAC. We all will benefit from their kindliness, capabilities and willingness to help.

Thank you to all of you who contributed time, effort and items to help others. Thank you, too, to those of you who sent a check to **TBI** for the gift bags and to those who sent a check directly to JFCS. I am proud to be in the company of such caring, generous **TBI** congregants.

Alice Blueglass, Social Action Committee Chairperson

# **TZEDAKAH**

In 2021 we celebrate the 42nd anniversary of the founding of **Temple Beth Israel**. The presence of **Temple Beth Israel on Longboat Key** has provided both a home for resident and visiting Jews to worship, and a community center for learning, friendship, celebration, and when needed, support.

As with most temples nationwide, **Temple Beth Israel** has been weathering the triple threat of providing online services and programs during a pandemic, increased expenses for security, and maintaining a beautiful, but aging, building. These challenges which we are meeting have required that we develop new and additional sources of funds. Our Executive Director, **Isaac Azerad**, has done a masterful job of obtaining grants and our Executive Board has been fiscally responsible in the management of our dues and contributions. However, dues and annual gifts cover only part of the expenses required to ensure our Temple's continued good health. We need to grow our Endowment.

As Jews, we practice the obligation of Tzedakah, .i.e. charitable giving to those in need. We participate in this righteous tradition not just because it is our custom, but because as Jews we rightly accept the responsibility to help make the world a better place.

As we celebrate **TBI's** 42nd anniversary, we need to accept the responsibility for the Temple's continuance for 42 more years. Like the Temple's original founders who purchased our land, built our building, and established an endowment for ongoing funding, in 2021 we need to raise the funds needed to repair and maintain our building and grounds, support our programming and services, and ensure our security and future.

Whether you choose to become a member of the Rabbi's Circle with a large gift to the Endowment or to remember a loved one with a small yahrzeit tribute, please add **TBI** to your Tzedakah list for 2021.

# LEADERSHIP CIRCLE

Each week you, the congregation at **TBI**, show your generosity and caring nature for others when you donate food, gifts, toys and computers to those less fortunate. We are fortunate to have a membership that performs "mitzvahs" throughout the year. The recipients of your generosity are being helped in small and large, meaningful ways.

The Leadership Circle is being helped by you when you become a member with your donation. This time, the benefits come back to help us at **TBI**. Special plans, activities, programs, and services are supported by your contribution to the Leadership Circle. It is never too late to join in. Help us be all that we can be.

The following are longtime members and new members. We cannot sufficiently show our gratitude for your support and affection for **TBI**. It makes a difference! Thank you!

(Names received after the publishing deadline will be added to next month's list).

Phyllis & Eliot Arnovitz
Patricia & Norton Baron
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Marvin Black & Annette (z"I) Black
Alice & Murray Blueglass

Barbara Blumfield
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Barbara Struth
Marilyn Taub

Tena & Dr. Howard Tessler

Kelli & Howard Veit Robert Vigder



# MY JEWISH JOURNEY Harold Ronson

Veterans Day is always a very special holiday for me and the other Temple members who served in the military. I salute them all, especially the few of us surviving from World War II including Marvin Black, Al Grossman, Marvin Morse and Jake Pollack. And I hope I am not missing other WWII vets. I always look forward to our Veterans' Shabbat service that I helped originate. I am taking a different tack this year and telling different stories. They come from this book that I published in 2013, *The Way I Tell the Story*.

**Getting in - how I joined the navy (1944):** I never literally finished high school; well everybody was going into the service. When a teacher called on me in class, "Harold, go to the board and do the part ..." my buddies yelled back, "Hey teach, he joined the navy last

week." The military was a big thing for us. I had a sister whose husband and three brothers were overseas. She wrote to each one of us five times a week. She was totally devoted. It was an exciting time.

Being Jewish in the barracks: I came back from eight weeks of basic training at the Sampson Naval Training Base in upstate New York on Lake Seneca. That was a comedy in itself. We had some racial problems. There were 110 of us and on Friday night, the Navy had what was called 'musts.' We 'must' go to service on Friday night. The 10 Jewish guys of the 110 would march off and inspection was Saturday morning. When we came back we took all kinds of nonsense. What saved us? We had a guy by the name of Siegel who was a middleweight champ. We'd say, "Hey, Sieg. Give him 10 minutes." He'd go and beat him up. It was just a funny thing, basic training, and we were equipped for it. The Navy did a terrific job in training us. When I came back from upstate New York I had six days off. My sister took me to see Paul Robeson in Othello on Broadway. I spent most of the time in the men's room. It went over my head. I wasn't ready for it. But I'll never forget seeing Paul Robeson. He became one of my folk heroes.

Dancing with Ava Gardner: The Navy sent us by train to San Diego and I was visualizing a big aircraft carrier or a battleship. I got to this rusty little landing craft and I couldn't believe that this thing would go to sea. Anyway, it was so small it didn't have a name. It had a number. I spent a couple of years on that thing. I was a seaman then which meant you did all the dirty work. Just before we left, the last night in the states, the captain said, "I'm going to break the navy rules. I'm going to let you all go ashore, because tomorrow you're going away for a long time." We went to the Hollywood Canteen. I walked in and this lovely creature I've never forgotten walked up to me and said, "Sailor, would you like to dance?" It was Ava Gardner. She was 19 years old. I can still feel that body against me today, my entire life.

Jewish boy meets his first pork loin: I became the ship's cook, because of boredom. I volunteered so I could go in the galley and lock the door, bake bread and teach myself certain things. The first day the captain said, "The cook is sick. You're cooking tonight." Pork loins were on the menu. I'd never seen a pork loin in my life. I put them in the stove, took a hammer and hit the floor so they sent up diesel oil for the stoves. I opened the Navy cookbook. It would tell you how to make roasted python. I'm up there, of course talking, which is my thing. My wife always said I would talk to a cadaver. I went back down and the pork loins went from 24 inches to about two. I had a ship full of Marines... a landing craft full of Marines that we had to feed. What was I going to feed them? I went down to the storage, all the meat was frozen. I went down, looked around, and suddenly I saw cans of mincemeat. I said, "Mincemeat, I'll make hamburgers." I took maybe 12 gallons. I tossed it into a mixer, put eggs in and breadcrumbs and everything and made these hamburgers. I put them on the stove. The stove was about 10 feet long. It got hotter as you went toward the end. I put them on the stove, fired the stove up and as they got hotter, they exploded. A roaring fire ... the whole galley caught fire. The guys ran in with fire extinguishers squirting it all over the place. It turns out mincemeat is fruit and pork lard or something. It's flammable. The captain walked in and he looked at me with a wry look and he said, "I guess you cooked the wrong thing."

Some hard lessons learned in the service: During the Iwo Jima campaign, I woke up one morning with a broken tooth and a jaw sticking out. They sent me to a hospital ship. I got permission to go to see somebody. I climbed up the ladder and got on a deck and I looked around. What I saw nobody should ever have to see. I got almost hysterical and I ran back down. I don't know what ever happened with the tooth; I don't remember anything about it, but it's how I've felt all my life. I must tell one more story. At Iwo, a plane was on fire and we were talking to the pilot. I remember somebody saying, "Bail out! Bail out!" and the pilot is saying, "I can't, I'm over the troop area. I've got to turn." He turned away from the island and the plane blew into a million pieces. All my life, this is what sobered me up. I said, "What made him do it? He could have jumped out, could have saved his life." When I look at the society we live in today and the abuses and the power grabs, they should learn from a couple of these guys. They gave their lives for their country. I went to reunions every year and I went to the opening of the World War II museum in New Orleans. The President was there. I met 11 Medal of Honor winners and I listened to their stories. What made them do it? What made this guy do this and save his buddy? We could learn something from them. We could learn values, it's not always us.

"Willfully, deliberately and intentionally...": I had a court martial in the service. We were 10 feet off the beach at night. We had a smoke generator and we'd pull up next to an aircraft carrier and we'd billow smoke so the kamikaze couldn't see us. This was at Okinawa. I spent three months at Okinawa. I went through a couple of hundred air attacks and every night as the sun was setting, out of the sun would come these Kamikazes. Well, they're not going to go into us, we're too small. We were near the beach and it happened to be my birthday, April 12th. It was also my father's birthday and the day Franklin Roosevelt died. Somebody came down the hold and said, "the President died," and a piece of us died with him, he was our leader. In the navy, you did four hours on, eight hours off, guard duty. I was up on a 40-millimeter canon we had up on the bow. It had a seat on each side and it fired with a foot pedal. I was supposed to watch from 9:00 to 12:00 for Japanese swimmers who come out and put dynamite on the ship. I sat down for a half hour and fell asleep. I extended my foot ... there were six safeties on this gun and all of them were disengaged. The gun went into automatic fire, fired a shell about 18 inches long and the shells went into the beach. Boom, boom, boom. We had just gotten orders... the kamikazes would fly between us and as we'd shoot at them we would shoot each other so we just got a strict rule, do not fire unless you're directly attacked. Anyway, the gun went off and in front of us was the cruiser, St. Louis. I could hear, "All hands, general quarters condition red," which means there's an imminent attack, "Condition red, all hands man your stations." Well the captain came up, "What happened?" What, are you going to do, tell him you're sleeping on watch? "Sorry, I don't know sir, I leaned on the trigger and it went off."

Well, the next morning the gun captain and me were on report and we were coming up to a court martial, a hearing it's called. Three captains of landing craft sat in. I had to dig out my uniform, which I hadn't worn in over a year. All my friends are up on the mast making faces and carrying on. Its one thing we had, we were all clowns, we were all funny guys. They used three words on me that I lived with my entire life: willfully, deliberately and intentionally. "How do you plead?" "Well, I plead not guilty." "All right, you'll hear from us." That night I read the navy book, what they can do to you for sleeping on watch in wartime. One, they could shoot you. Two, bread and water for 30 days, etc. etc. etc. Well the captain knew I was a good guy... I was behaving myself and he said he'd curtail the court martial. A year later when they dropped the bomb he came to me and he said, "Son, I took that court martial out of your record," and I've been mad at him ever since. I wanted to sit and read it but I never forgot those three words. You know, you learn some... it's life's experiences.

Getting out of the navy - 1946: I went back to New York. My father married just prior to my being discharged. There were big signs "Welcome Home! Well Done!" I rang the bell, the new wife answered the door. "Who's this?" she said. Pop said, "My youngest son back from the war." She bellowed out, "There's no room for him here." So I went to live with my sister in Queens. I lived in her basement for four years. I raised her children and I commuted to Philadelphia. I went to school, Philadelphia Textile Institute, now called Philadelphia University. That was all 75 years ago. The two years and seven months that I spent in the Navy on that little Landing Craft Infantry remain vivid in my memory.

I am so very lucky to be here at 94 years old. I tell these stories to honor the memory of the many serviceman who were not so fortunate. May their memories be for a blessing. I welcome your questions and I thank you for listening.

# TBI Israel Committee Launches: JNF Blue Box Campaign

Remember the blue box many of us had in years gone by? TBI is bringing back that nostalgic bit of years gone by.

What is a JNF Blue Box?

The Jewish National Fud was created in 1901 with the purpose of purchasing land in what was then Ottoman-controlled Palestine. Shortly after JNF's founding, a Polish bank clerk named Haim Kleinman proposed that a collection box bearing the words "National Fund" be placed in every Jewish home to raise money for land purchases. Production began in Vienna and because of the boxes' initial blue color they became known as "Blue Boxes." Before long, JNF Blue Boxes were in stores and homes all over the world. Poor people placed their pennies in Blue Boxes and went door-to-door collecting coins with the hope that buying land in Eretz Israel would give them a Jewish homeland. The JNF Blue Box gave hope to Jews living under tyranny in Eastern Europe. Every coin deposited in the JNF Blue Box made the giver a partner in the creation of the State of Israel. While the iconic Blue Box has taken many shapes over the decades, it continues to evolve much like the land and people it was designed to help.

To participate in the **TBI Blue Box Campaign**, simply send an email requesting a Blue Box to **info@tbi-lbk.org** with your name, address and phone number. Your box will either be delivered to you or we will let you know where to pick it up.

Between January and March, fill your box with loose change or bills. In late March, we'll let you know where to deliver your filled box.

In April, all who return their boxes will be invited to vote on where the funds collected will go.

# JNF programs that you will vote on include:

- · Creating a TBI Grove or Forest in Israel
- Forestry or green innovations
- · Creating Communities
- Disabilities and Special Needs
- Heritage Site Preservation
- Research & Development
- Water Solutions
- Education & Advocacy

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# **DONATIONS REPORT**

### **Choir Fund**

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In loving memory of Carole and her love of music.

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### **Facilities Fund**

Best wishes on your special birthday.

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Good wishes for a speedy and complete recovery!

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In memory of Jack Kramer.

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In memory of Shelly Glickman.

Ann Glickman by Marion Levine

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In memory of your brother, Lewis Schottenfeld.

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## **Yahrzeit Fund**

We have fond memories of the time we were able to spend with Shelly. Our sincere condolences.

Ann Glickman by Phyllis & Eliot Arnovitz



# **JANUARY BIRTHDAYS**

JAN 5: Robert Blumberg, Bonny Israeloff, JAN 18: Richard Levine

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JAN 15: Alvin Preiser Ralph Liebstein

JAN 17: David Lowe JAN 30: Howard Baker

# **JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES**

Eliot & Phyllis Arnovitz celebrating on January 1st

Rabbi Michael & Nancy Eisenstat celebrating 57 years on January 1st

# JANUARY YAHRZEIT RECITALS

### JAN 1

Phyllis Berger Sheldon Bilgrei Sadie Cranman William Davis Cyvia Feinberg Seth Gaynes Murray Goldberg Irene Gordon Anna Heit James Katz Minnie Kohn Mortimer Libien Dr. Cecelia Elman Liebow Alfred Mazor Jacob Medvene Catie Mohr Irene Neulander Roz Sandler Alice Weinbaum

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### Wed. January 6, 2021



'Directly from France'

Join Rabbi Peter Rubinstein and Rabbi Delphine Horvilleur, writer and co-leader of the Liberal Jewish Movement of France, for a conversation on "Being Jewish in France Today: The challenge of Antisemitism and the Promise of the Republican Spirit."

This event is part of the series "France and Judaism: 2,000 years of Intertwined History" in partnership with the Consulate General of France in New York, the World Jewish Congress and the Musée d'Art et d'Histoire du Judaisme in Paris. (rec. 6/17/6/20) 1hr 4 min.

### Wed. January 20, 2021



'Building Bridges: Is it Possible?'

Join Rabbi Peter Rubinstein and Reverend Jacques Andre DeGraff in conversation as they explore new ways of building bridges. Let's come to together and speak honestly as we forge a path forward.

Rubinstein and DeGraff are co-chairs of The New York State Office of the Attorney General's Black and Jewish Clergy Roundtable, in partnership with the American Jewish Committee NY Office, comprised of Black ministers and Rabbi's from across New York, and created as a space for diverse clergy to come together, support one another and speak out against antisemitism, racism, and hate. (rec. 6/8/20) 53 min

### Wed. February 3, 2021



### 'COSMOS: Possible Worlds'

**Neil deGrasse Tyson**, together with the great science popularizer **Bill Nye**—discuss the most beloved science franchise on the planet makes its highly anticipated return to television.

COSMOS: POSSIBLE WORLDS carries the torch forward with a wonder-filled odyssey through humanity's past and present.

Transporting viewers to lost worlds and others yet to be revealed by science, Nye and Tyson talked about the making of the series and its state-of-the art visual effects, the legacy of the visionary Carl Sagan, and, in Tyson's words, "our eternal search for answers about ourselves in the universe." (rec. 3/9/20) 53min.

Wed. October 21	P.W. Singer with General (Ret.) David Petraeus – 'The Future is Now'
Wed. November 4	Wes Moore with Willie Geist- 'Protesting for Change'
Wed. November 18	Seth Rogen, Martha Stewart, Jane Krakowski & Friends — 'It's All In Your Head: Live'!
Wed. December 2	Rabbi Peter J. Rubinstein and Imam Dr. Al-Hajj Talib — 'Praying with Our Hearts, Hands & Feet'
Wed. December 16	David Simon & cast in conversation with Peter Sagal – 'The Plot Against America'
Wed. January 6	Rabbi Delphine Horvilleur in conversation with Rabbi Peter Rubinstein – 'Directly From France'
Wed. January 20	Rabbi Peter Rubinstein and Reverend Jacques Andre DeGraff – 'Building Bridges'
Wed. February 3	Neil DeGrasse Tyson with Bill Nye – 'COSMOS: Possible Worlds'
Wed. February 17	Barry Sonnefeld with Jerry Seinfeld – 'Call Your Mother'



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# WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6 & 13 | 2-3PM ET Bioethical Issues in the Age of Covid-19

Rabbi Peter Kasdan



In addition to the obligation to preserve life, Jewish law also recognizes an obligation to alleviate suffering. The Talmud states that extreme suffering can be a fate worse than death. The question, then, becomes: "how does a Jewish person, living in this age of Covid-19, balance the obligation to preserve life when it conflicts with the duty to alleviate suffering?" Inasmuch as suffering is always the subjective experience of the individual, most authorities agree that a terminally ill patient can choose to tolerate suffering and to

take interventions that will extend life. But in a case in which the individual would prefer a quick death, or in a case where we cannot know that person's desires, what is the proper course of action?

# WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10 & 24 | 2-3PM ET The New Middle East After the Abraham Accords Rabbi Howard Simon



The Abraham Accords was a joint statement between Israel, the United Arab Emirates and the United States, reached on August 13, 2020. It was subsequently also used to refer collectively to agreements between Israel and the United Arab Emirates (the Israel–United Arab Emirates normalization agreement) and Bahrain, respectively (the Bahrain–Israel normalization agreement).

The statement marked the first normalization of relations between an Arab country and Israel since that of Egypt in 1979 and Jordan in 1994. The agreement with the UAE was officially titled the Abraham Accords Peace Agreement: Treaty of Peace, Diplomatic Relations and Full Normalization Between the United Arab Emirates and the State of Israel, The agreement between Bahrain and Israel was officially titled the Abraham Accords: Declaration of Peace, Cooperation, and Constructive Diplomatic and Friendly Relations, and was announced by the United States on September 11.

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# **SERIES TOPIC:**

Supporting Children and Grandchildren Through Their School Days and Beyond

TBI is pleased to announce a unique new series of speakers addressing issues of interest to all parents and grandparents which began October 19 and will continue through February 2021.

If you are parenting your own children or enjoying your grandchildren and want to know more about their growth and development, you won't want to miss these outstanding speakers and important topics that are designed to help you in *Supporting Children and Grandchildren Through Their School Days and Beyond*.

The series is open to the SRQ community and to your adult children wherever they may be.

To register for the series, please contact the Temple office at (941) 383-3428 or email tbi-office@tbi-lbk.org. There is no fee to attend.

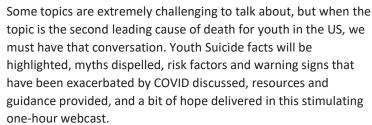
# 2020 – 2021 Virtual Speaker Series

Presented by the TBI Speaker's Bureau

Richard Lieberman, MA, LEP, NCSP

When: Monday, January 25, 2021 Time: 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM EST via ZOOM

Discussion Topic: Tough Topics: Youth Suicide and COVID - What's a (Grand) Parent to do?



Richard Lieberman is a Lecturer in the Graduate School of Education at Loyola Marymount University and a Lead Suicide Prevention

Consultant for the Los Angeles County Office of Education. He has co-authored numerous book chapters, articles and curricula on suicide prevention in the schools; consulted nationally with school districts and communities experiencing suicide clusters; served on the Steering Committee for the national Suicide Prevention Resource Center and appeared in many videos including the HBO Documentary, Suicide.

# February Guest Speaker



Dr. Todd Savage, Ph.D., NCSP

When: Monday, February 15, 2021 Time: 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM EST via ZOOM

Discussion Topic: The ABC's of Gender Diversity: Understanding Transgender and Gender Diverse Youth.

Youths are leading the way on bringing gender diversity to the forefront in schools and in society at-large. This session is intended to provide participants with increased awareness and knowledge about gender diversity, in general, and amongst children and adolescents specifically.

# Special Thanks to:



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# SARASOTA LUXURY REAL ESTATE REPORT

Spaghetti Models for the Sarasota Real Estate Forecast



Today I'm visiting historic Spanish Point, thirty acres on the bay where archaeologists and anthropologists agree that our first residents and visitors came 7000 years ago.

The big question is always "How is the real estate market?" With the stock market, housing market and consumer sentiment providing different signals, it is not clear yet what type of market 2021 will be. I kind of liken it to taking spaghetti or maybe even fettuccine and tossing it against a wall. Some of it sticks in different patterns and designs and some of it falls to the ground.

Our Market at the moment currently favors sellers. There are about 2500 properties for sale here in our community. This is about two months of inventory. This sounds like a very short runway- however it's not so cutand-dry. There are new properties that come to market on almost a daily basis giving buyers new options each week.

### What do different micro markets in Sarasota look like?

- ▶ Out on Lido Beach there are the Ritz Carlton managed Beach Residences. Currently, there are 14 units for sale out of a total of 88 residences. That to me seems a little bit of a high percentage sitting on the market. Median days on the market is 164.
- ▶ On the other hand, in the West of Trail neighborhood called Southside Village, which is bordered by Selby Gardens to the north and Siesta Drive to the south, there are about 25 total properties for sale. The median days on market is about 75 days and the list price to sale price ratio is about 96%. So they're selling a bit under their list price.
- ▶ When we go over to Siesta Key and look at single family homes there are about 75 properties for sale. Here the median days on market is about the same as it was on West of Trail, about 74 median days on the market. There is also about the same in terms of list price and sales price ratio about 96%.

Our market has lots of different personalities to it. For example, in recent days we have negotiated multiple offer situations on behalf of some buyers to help them land a contract on their choice property. We have sellers who were very fortunate to have their properties to go under contract within a day or two of being out on the MLS.

We also have sellers whose properties are a bit slower to sell. Whether it's been the price is a little too high, or the tenants have not allowed buyers come to the property, there's a little bit of everything going on in our market.

## Always on the Leading Edge of Technology

We are happy that we've been able to launch a new technology this month which enables prospective buyers to get an immersive 3D experience viewing a property virtually. We've used 3d technology before, however this is a new generation of hardware and software that allows prospective buyers- regardless of where they are in the world- to look at a property as if they're opening the top of a dollhouse. They can see directly down inside and them get a total immersive experience walking through each room.

This gives somebody an opportunity to look up at the ceilings, down at the floors, around corners, and through closets. Most importantly, it allows a buyer a truly great way to experience a property without actually being there. Hopefully the next iteration will allow for smell-o-vision so that you can smell the salt air, sea breeze, or even the fresh baked chocolate chip cookies. With that it may just become the next 1-Click shopping experience.

Our market here in Sarasota has been the beneficiary of tremendous wealth being created since 2009 and we are very, very fortunate.

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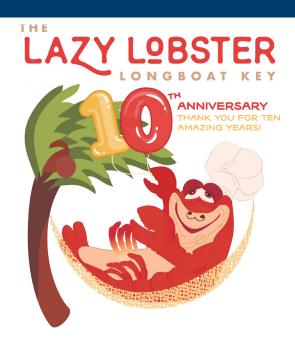
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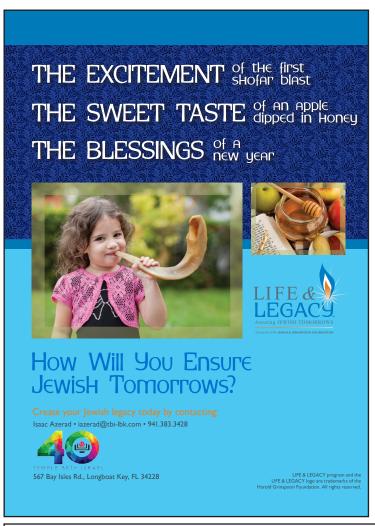
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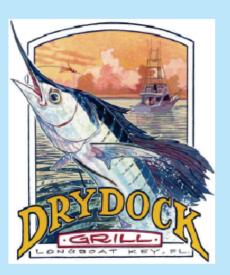
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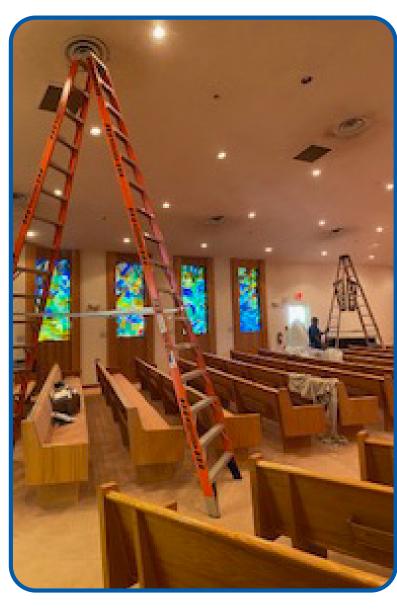
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